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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We need to see competition in the broadband space. The monopoly-like structure over the last many decades is terrible. It leads to poor quality, high prices, and no choices.

Xfinity/Comcast consistently had the worst customer service, drove prices to insane numbers after initial low "foot in door technique" prices, and the product was shoddy.

The internet (just like the phone) is now a necessity to living. Price hikes that will increase the cost of internet and telephone services is taking away people's potential to be their best workers/students/community members. Everyone needs and deserves equal access to fast internet and reliable services.

Broadband is critical to our home, businesses and schools. As someone with a chronic illness, it allows me to work from home via tele therapy (I am a psychologist) when I would otherwise have to file for disability.

Save the competition!

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